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Examiner: Fernando L. Toledo

Group Art Unit: 2823

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the application of:

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Serial No.:

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For:

MULTI-STEP DRY ETCHING

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Action dated September 9, 2004, Applicants elect to prosecute apparatus claims 5 and 6, Group II, without traverse. Applicants authorize the Examiner to cancel non-elected claims 1-4 upon the indication of allowable subject matter in this application.

Early action allowing claims 5 and 6 is solicited. Please charge any fees that may occur to our **Deposit Account No. 03-1952** referencing **506212001200**.

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Respectfully submitted

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